

Congresswoman Bean listens to a Lake Zurich small business owner

June was an exciting month in the 8th District, as hockey fans cheered the Chicago Blackhawks to their first Stanley Cup in nearly half a century. When constituents weren't glued to their televisions watching the action from the United Center, they could find Congresswoman Bean at a variety of events throughout the region. The Congresswoman met with local seniors and members of the education community to draw upon their expertise and answer questions about issues before the House of Representatives. She attended the **Barrington Community** Unit School District 220 Legislative Breakfast, where she discussed issues related to education funding with district officials and state legislators. At the Northwest Housing Partnership, she spoke with HUD counselors about foreclosure prevention and other issues facing area homeowners. The Congresswoman walked through Lake Zurich and spoke with local small business owners about the economy. She also spoke at the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Pepper Family Hospice Home and Center for Care in Barrington, the first green hospice center in the state of Illinois, for which she obtained federal funds. Finally, the Congresswoman discussed research funding with representatives from the Juvenille Diabetes Research Foundation and area families affected by the disease.

Congresswoman Bean also hosted <u>Federal Government Open House</u> events in Lake and McHenry Counties. Constituents were able to open cases and resolve questions with representatives from several participating agencies. She hosted a <u>Small Business Federal Resource Seminar</u>

at McHenry County College, where small business owners attended seminars with government representatives covering topics such as loan programs, tax incentives, and government contracting. The Congresswoman listened to the views of local citizens at Jewel-Osco stores in Hoffman Estates, Palatine, and Barrington as part of her Congress at Your Corner program. She also hosted live Teletownhall forums from Washington, where she answered questions

from constituents and provided an update on legislation before Congress.